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Programme of meetings and agenda

Scheduled official meetings

Thursday, 26 September 2002

Security Council

10.30 a.m. . . . . 4616th meeting . . . . . Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Consideration of the draft report of the Security Council to the General Assembly

Security Council Informal Working Group on General Issues on Sanctions

10.30 a.m. . . . . 16th (closed) meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

Committees

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 1st meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

1. Election of the Vice-Chairmen and the Rapporteur
2. Organization of work (A/C.4/57/1, A/C.4/57/L.1 and A/C.4/57/INF.1)

Third Committee

3 –6 p.m. . . . . 1st meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

1. Election of the Vice-Chairmen and the Rapporteur
2. Organization of work (A/57/250, A/C.3/57/1, A/C.3/57/L.1 and A/C.3/57/L.1/Add.1)

Announcement

The public meeting of the Security Council, initially scheduled for Monday, 30 September 2002, in connection with the agenda item "Small arms", will be held during the month of October, in order to allow Member States more time to prepare for the consideration of the report (S/2002/1053).

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Sixth Committee

3–6 p.m. . . . . 2nd meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives (**A/57/99, A/57/99/Corr.1, A/57/99/Add.1** and **A/57/99/Add.2**) . . . . . [153]

Working Group on an International Convention against the Reproductive Cloning of Human Beings

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 6th meeting (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 1

Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples

3 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 4

Afternoon[1]–6 p.m. . . . 11th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

1. Consideration of the draft Report of the United Nations Mission to Tokelau, 2002
2. Other matters

[1] Immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations.

Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole of the General Assembly for the Final Review and Appraisal of the Implementation of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s
Substantive session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 5th meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

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Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

1. Capital Master Plan
2. Procurement reform
3. Outsourcing practices
4. Proposed measures to improve the profitability of the commercial activities of the United Nations

Economic and Social Council

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

Second regular session for 2002

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 36th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

3–6 p.m. . . . . 37th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

1. UNFPA: Country programmes and related matters (DP/FPA/CPO/BWA/4, DP/FPA/CPO/BDI/5, DP/FPA/CPO/COM/4, DP/FPA/CPO/GNB/4, DP/FPA/CPO/CHN/5, DP/FPA/CPO/ETM/1, DP/FPA/CPO/MDV/3, DP/FPA/CPO/PIC/3, DP/FPA/CPO/COL/4) . . . . . [11]

2. United Nations Development Fund for Women (DP/2002/30) . . . . . [6]

[There will be a meeting of the donors group *today*, 26 September, at 9 a.m. in Conference Room D.

There will be a briefing on the Brussels Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries *today*, 26 September, from 5.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2.]

Other meetings

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Thursday, 26 September 2002

Islamic Group *(on Sixth Committee matters) (at the expert level)*

9.15 a.m.–10 a.m. . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 8

Group of 77 *(on the organization of work of the Second Committee)*

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

Arab Group *(at the ambassadorial level)*

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

Group of Eastern European States

11 a.m.–12 noon . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

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Non-aligned Movement:
Working Group on Disarmament

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Latin American and Caribbean States Group

12 noon–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

Rio Group *(on Second Committee matters)(technical level)*

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

UNITAR Briefing on Developments in Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea

10 a.m. –1 p.m . . . . . Conference Room 5

3–6 p.m . . . . . Conference Room 5

Briefing organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DOALOS) of the Office of Legal Affairs on developments in ocean affairs and the law of the sea 20 years after the conclusion of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea [For further information, please contact Ms. Nicole Valenta at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196 or 963-9684)].

Briefing on reports submitted to the fifty-seventh session of the General Assembly under agenda items 102 and 103

1.15–2.45 p.m . . . . . Conference Room 3

Briefing organized by the Division for the Advancement of Women, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, on reports submitted to the fifty-seventh session of the General Assembly under agenda items 102 (Advancement of women) and 103 (Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century") [Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.]

Meeting of the Group of Interested States in Practical Disarmament Measures
(at the level of Deputy Permanent Representatives)

A meeting of the Group of Interested States for Practical Disarmament Measures *(at the level of Deputy Permanent Representatives)* will be held *today*, 26 September 2002, at 3 p.m. at the German House (871 United Nations Plaza, 22nd floor).

The meeting will be chaired by the Acting Permanent Representative of Germany to the United Nations, H.E. Dr. Hanns Schumacher, and will be addressed by the Under-Secretary-General for Disarmament Affairs, Mr. Jayantha Dhanapala. Deputy Permanent Representatives of interested Member States and their Disarmament experts are invited to participate.

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

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Room S-226

11.15 a.m. . . . . Mr. Rubens Ricupero, Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), and Mr. Kamram Kousari, UNCTAD Special Coordinator for Africa

12 noon . . . . . Mr. James Morris, Special Envoy for the humanitarian situation in Southern Africa

Forthcoming official meetings

Friday, 27 September 2002

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

10 a.m. . . . . 20th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Admission of new Members to the United Nations: draft resolution (A/57/L.3) . . [20]
2. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations: report of the Fifth Committee (A/57/429) . . . . . [117]
3. Elections to fill vacancies in principal organs: election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council . . . . . [15 (a)]

Committees

First Committee

The First Committee will hold its first organizational meeting on Friday, 27 September, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4, to elect its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider its programme of work and timetable (A/C.1/57/CRP.1).

The First Committee will begin its substantive work by holding a general debate on all disarmament and related international security agenda items from Monday, 30 September to Friday, 11 October 2002. Mr. Jayantha Dhanapala, Under-Secretary-General for Disarmament Affairs, will make a statement. The list of speakers for the general debate is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to kindly contact the secretariat of the First Committee (Mr. Eduard Fesko; tel. 1 (212) 963-7169; fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

Delegations are reminded that names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Mr. Mohammad K. Sattar, Secretary of the First Committee (room S-2977H; fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will begin its substantive work on Monday, 30 September 2002, at 3 p.m. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general debate relating to decolonization items, which will begin on Monday, 30 September (see document A/C.4/57/L.1), are kindly requested to notify Ms. Catherina Dakay (room S-2977; tel. 1 (212) 963-9223).

Delegations are also reminded that the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are to be submitted to Ms. Lesley M. Wilkinson, Secretary of the Committee (room S-2977K; fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

Second Committee

The Second Committee will begin its general debate on Monday, 30 September 2002, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The Under-Secretary-General, Mr. Nitin Desai, Department for Economic and Social Affairs will make a statement. The list of speakers for the general debate, and all other items allocated to the Second Committee, is open for inscription. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee (Ms. Maria Thompson (tel. 1 (212) 963-2183; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

Briefing

There will be a keynote address by Professor Joseph Stiglitz, Economics and Finance, Columbia University, on "Sustainable Development: Lessons learned from the past year" on Wednesday, 2 October 2002, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in *Conference Room 1*.

The meeting will be chaired by H.E. Mr. Marco Antonio Suazo (Honduras), Chairman of the Second Committee. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Third Committee

The Third Committee will also begin consideration of the items entiled "Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice" and "International Drug Control" on Monday, 30 September 2002, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 1. The list of speakers for the general discussion on all items allocated to the Third Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the Acting Secretary of the Committee (Mr. Alexandre De Barros or Mrs. Lydia Bawar, (tel. 1 (212) 963-2320 and 963-5973; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Delegations are also requested to submit the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to Mr. Alexandre De Barros, Acting Secretary of the Committee (room S-2950G; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Information and Communication Technology Task Force

The third meeting (closed) of the United Nations Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Task Force will be held on Monday, 30 September, and Tuesday, 1 October 2002, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The meeting will put special emphasis on development in Africa. Mr. Kofi Annan, Secretary-General of the United Nations, will make an opening statement, on Monday, 30 September, 9.30 a.m. The President of the Economic and Social Council, H.E. Mr. Ivan Šimonović (Croatia), and the Chairman of the Task Force, Mr. José-María Figueres-Olsen (Costa Rica), will make introductory remarks.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Asian Group of the Whole

There will be a meeting of the Asian Group of the Whole on Friday, 27 September 2002, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

UNCTAD Briefing on Economic Development in Africa

There will be a briefing on "Economic Development in African: From Adjustment to Poverty Reduction: What is New?", organized by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), on Friday, 27 September 2002, from 11.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. in Conference Room C. A presentation will be made by Mr. Kamran Kousari, Special Coordinator for Africa, UNCTAD. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. Copies of the report will be available at the meeting.

Briefing following the annual meeting of the IMF and the World Bank

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a briefing by Mr. Eduardo Doryan, Special Representative of the World Bank to the United Nations, and Mr. Reinhard Munzberg, Special Representative of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) to the United Nations, on the results of the meetings of the International Monetary, the Financial Committee and the Development Committee, which will be held in Washington on Saturday, 28 September 2002. The communiqués of the two Committees will be available at the briefing. After an introductory presentation, Mr. Doryan and Mr. Munzberg will be available to respond to questions. This briefing, to be conducted in English, will be held at United Nations Headquarters in New York on Tuesday, 1 October 2002, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all permanent missions in New York. The registration deadline is Friday, 27 September. For further information, please contact Ms. Nicole Valenta at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684 and 963-9196).

Round table on Disarmament in Conflict Prevention

There will be a round table, organized by the Department for Disarmament Affairs, on the theme "Disarmament in Conflict Prevention" on Tuesday, 1 October 2002, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4. Ms. María Angélica Arce de Jeannet, Minister, Permanent Mission of Mexico; Mr. Herbert Wulf, Bonn International Centre for Conversion (BICC); H.E. Mr. Sylvester Ekundayo Rowe, Deputy Permanent Representative (Political Affairs), Permanent Mission of Sierra Leone; and Ms. Patricia Lewis, United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research (UNIDIR), will be among the participants. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Gary De Rosa, Department for Disarmament Affairs (tel. 1 (212) 963-3980; fax 1 (212) 963-1121; email DeRosa@un.org).

UNITAR Workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions for members of permanent missions in New York

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing an English-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions for members of permanent missions in New York. The workshop will be held on the following dates: Wednesday, 2 October 2002, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.; Thursday, 3 October, from 3 to 6 p.m.; Friday, 4 October, from 3 to 6 p.m. A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Friday, 27 September. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

International Labour Organization (ILO) briefing on "Employment-Poverty Linkages: Issues and Experiences"

There will be a briefing, organized by the International Labour Organization (ILO) on "Employment-Poverty Linkages: Issues and Experiences" to be held on Thursday 3 October 2002, at 1.15 p.m. in Conference Room 9. A presentation will be made by Mr. Riswanul Islam, Recovery and Reconstruction Department, ILO. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Caroline Lewis, New York ILO Liaison Office (tel. 1 (212) 697-0150, ext. 102).

UNITAR Workshop Series entitled "Policy Awareness and Training in Information Technology"

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) has organized the new Series entitled "Policy Awareness and Training in Information Technology", under the auspices of the ICT Task Force and the Working Group on Informatics. This programme is being implemented with the active participation and sponsorship of Intel Corporation, Inc. The programme consists of a set of four progressive modules and one seminar presented as a cycle, which is currently being repeated four times a year. The first four modules of each cycle focus on (a) Introduction to Computers and Windows 2000; (b) E-mail and Internet Search Basics; (c) Introduction to Microsoft Word 2000; and (d) Web-page Design Basics and Usability Techniques; and is geared towards all diplomats. The fifth module, which is conducted as an interactive seminar, covers "Policy Awareness and Security Issues on Information Technology" and is aimed essentially at ambassadors and senior diplomats and open to members of the United Nations staff as well as non-governmental organizations.

The fourth and last cycle of the 2002 Series, to be conducted in English, will be held on every alternate Friday *from 4 October to 15 November 2002.* For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

Announcements

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Tuesday, 3 September 2002, and for the rest of the month, the President of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Credentials of representatives to the fifty-seventh session

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the fifty-seventh session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly.

Credentials should be sent to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5358; room S-3420A.)

Summary of meetings

Tuesday, 24 September 2002

General Assembly

Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole of the General Assembly for the Final Review and Appraisal of the Implementation of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s

1st and 2nd meetings

Opening of the session . . . . . [1]

The Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole, H.E. Mr. Jan Kavan (Czech Republic), President of the General Assembly, opened the substantive session of the Committee.

Adoption of the agenda . . . . . [2]

The Committee adopted the agenda for its substantive session, as contained in document A/AC.251/10.

Organization of work

The Committee considered the organizational arrangements for the participation of non-governmental organizations in the work of the session and adopted Decision 1 on the modalities of such participation.

Interactive discussions . . . . . [4]

The Ad Hoc Committee held panel discussions and an interactive dialogue on independent evaluation of the implementation of the United Nations-New Agenda for the Development of Africa (UN-NADAF), with the participation of the group of eminent personalities. The panel discussions were moderated by the Vice-Chairman, H.E. Mr. Jean de Ruyt (Belgium), and Professor Kwesi Botchwey (Ghana). Dr. Alexander Love (United States), Dr. Dennis Benn (Jamaica), Ambassador Valery Mongbe (Benin) and Mr. Yves Berthelot (France) made presentations on major findings, the lessons learned and the way forward for international support for African development.

Wednesday, 25 September 2002

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

Committees

Fifth Committee

1st meeting

The Chairman, H.E. Mr. Murari Raj Sharma (Nepal), made a statement.

Election of the Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur of the Committee

The Committee elected, by acclamation, Mr. Bogdan Dragulescu (Romania), Mr. Guillermo Kendall (Argentina) and Mr. Michel Tilemans (Belgium), as Vice-Chairmen of the Committee.

The Committee also elected, by acclamation, Mr. Haile Selassie Getachew (Ethiopia), as Rapporteur of the Committee.

Organization of work

The Chairman of the Committee drew the attention of the Committee to a letter dated 20 September 2002 from the President of the General Assembly (A/C.5/57/1) on the allocation of items of the agenda of the General Assembly to the Fifth Committee. The Chairman further drew the attention of the Committee to a note by the Secretariat on the status of preparedness of documentation (A/C.5/57/L.1) and to the proposed programme of work submitted by the Bureau for the main part of the session.

Statements concerning the status of documentation and on the proposed programme of work were made by the representatives of Denmark (on behalf of the European Union and also on behalf of the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Cyprus, Malta, Turkey, Iceland and Norway), Venezuela (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Mexico (on behalf of Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Equatorial Guinea, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Spain, Uruguay and Venezuela), the United States, Cuba and the Syrian Arab Republic.

The Secretary of the Committee replied to questions raised.

The Committee then approved the proposed programme of work, on the understanding that adjustments would be made during the course of the session, as required, taking into account the observations made.

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee took note of the recommendations of the General Assembly as contained in document A/57/250, as well as of the

observations of the Chairman that 22 November 2002 be set as the deadline for the submission by the Main Committees of draft proposals with programme budget implications in order to enable the Fifth Committee to consider them in a timely manner.

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations [117]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The Chairman of the Committee drew the attention of the Committee to a letter dated 27 June 2002 from the Acting President of the General Assembly addressed to the Chairman of the Fifth Committee (A/C.5/56/46).

Statements were made by the representatives of Denmark (on behalf of the European Union and also on behalf of the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Cyprus, Malta, Turkey, Iceland and Norway), Burundi, Venezuela (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Cameroon, Mali, South Africa, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Uganda, Egypt, Morocco, Tunisia, Pakistan, the Sudan, Algeria and Cuba.

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to consider the letter (A/C.5/56/46) in informal consultations following the adjournment of the formal meeting under the chairmanship of Mr. Aizaz Chaudhry (Pakistan).

2nd meeting

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations [117]

The Committee continued its consideration of this agenda item.

The representative of Pakistan, coordinator of informal consultations on this question, introduced draft resolution A/C.5/57/L.2.

The representatives of the Sudan and the Russian Federation orally corrected the Arabic and Russian versions of the draft resolution, respectively.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution.

The representative of Burundi made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this question.

General Assembly

Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole of the General Assembly for the Final Review and Appraisal of the Implementation of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s

3rd and 4th meetings

Oral summary of the informal panel discussion . . . . . [6]

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, H.E. Mr. Jean de Ruyt (Belgium), presented an oral summary of the panel discussions and follow-up interactive dialogue.

Presentation of the report of the independent evaluation of the United Nations-New Agenda for the Development of Africa . . . . . [3]

Ms. Yvette Stevens, Special Coordinator for Africa and the Least Developed Countries (OSCAL), Department of Economic and Social Affairs, introduced the report of the Secretary-General, as contained in document A/57/156.

In connection with the presentation of the oral summary of the interactive dialogue and the Secretary-General's report, the Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee, H.E. Mr. Jan Kavan made a statement.

General debate . . . . . [7]

The representatives of the following countries made statements: Algeria, Angola, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Canada, China, Denmark (on behalf of the European Union, the countries of Central and Eastern Europe associated with the European Union (Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia), the associated countries and the EFTA country belonging to the European Economic Area, Norway), Egypt, Ethiopia, Gambia, India, Japan, Morocco, Namibia, Nigeria, Russian Federation, Pakistan, South Africa, Switzerland, United States and Zambia.

The representatives of the African Union, the International Labor Organization (ILO), the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, the World Bank, the World Food Programme, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) also made statements.

The representative of Network Movement for Justice and Development in Sierra Leone made a statement, on behalf of the NGO community.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Amendment to article 43 (2) of the Convention on the Rights of the Child. New York, 12 December 1995

Acceptance: Jordan (24 September 2002) [1]

International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism. New York, 9 December 1999

Accession: Viet Nam (25 September 2002) [1]

International Coffee Agreement 2001. London, 28 September 2000

Ratification: Honduras (24 September 2002) [1]

Ratification: Costa Rica (25 September 2002) [1]

Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks. New York, 4 August 1995

Accession: Cyprus (25 September 2002) [1]

Protocol on the Privileges and Immunities of the International Seabed Authority. Kingston, 27 March 1998

Ratification: Jamaica (25 September 2002) [1]

Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. Kyoto, 11 December 1997

Ratification: Viet Nam (25 September 2002) [1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Other announcements

World Habitat Day

In observance of World Habitat Day, an event entitled "City-to-City Cooperation", organized by the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) and Sister Cities International, will take place on Monday, 7 October 2002, from 2 to 5 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of the United Nations specialized agencies and of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of September 2002 has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Côte d'Ivoire
H.E. Mr. Djessan Philippe Djangone-Bi

Asian States:
Iran (Islamic Republic of)
H.E. Mr. M. Javad Zarif

Eastern European States:
Ukraine
H.E. Mr. Valery P. Kuchinsky

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Suriname
H.E. Mrs. Irma E. Loemban Tobing-Klein

Western European and other States:

Portugal
H.E. Mr. Gonçalo de Santa Clara Gomes

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Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism:
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